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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing of New ACSI, BG ODOM

1. Script prepared for this briefing was not used. BG Odom glanced at the index to the targets book and asked specific questions before he looked at information in the book. BG Odom likes to control the situation. His impatience may make it difficult to use prepared scripts. BG Odom made some comments during the brief which gave me the following impressions:

Anti-think tank (Rand, SRI) - Rand Mafia has infiltrated government everywhere.

Down on CIA - CIA takes credit for Army work. We should make them pay for anything we do for them.

GRILL FLAME will not be a high priority until the phenomenon can be proved. As long as it is cheap and doesn't take away from higher priorities it's OK.

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IN OCTOBER 1978, ACSI TASKED INSCOM TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM USING PSYCHOENERGENICS FOR INTELLIGENCE APPLICATIONS. SPECIFICALLY ^{TO} UTILIZING THAT FIELD OF PARAPSYCHOLOGY KNOWN AS REMOTE VIEWING AS A METHOD OF INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION.

IN RESPONSE TO THAT TASKING, INSCOM ESTABLISHED AN AD HOC PROJECT WITHIN THE ASCSOPS-HUMINT TO DETERMINE:

1. COULD REMOTE VIEWING TECHNOLOGY BE TAUGHT TO INSCOM PERSONNEL....AND IF SO TO SELECT PERSONNEL AND ESTABLISH A TRAINING PROGRAM

SRI had demonstrated that RV could be done by known psychics...our objective was to utilize professional intelligence personnel

2. ESTABLISH PROCEDURES TO COLLECT INTELLIGENCE UTILIZING REMOTE VIEWING

INSCOM is not engaged in an R&D effort...but the application of REMOTE VIEWING to collection of intelligence ...with reasonable accuracy... intelligence that would be accepted by intelligence analysts

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3. ESTABLISH A MECHANISM TO RESPOND TO COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS USING REMOTE VIEWING

Given the security requirements and the public sensitivity to intelligence collection using this technique...make it responsive

PEOPLE

TO LOCATE PERSONNEL, 251 INSCOM PERSONNEL IN THE WASHINGTON/BALTIMORE AREA WERE CONSIDERED. THROUGH A PERIOD OF INTERVIEWS AND REVIEWS THE NUMBER WAS NARROWED TO 15... AND FINALLY A JOINT DECISION BY SRI AND INSCOM SELECTED 6 PERSONNEL FOR TRAINING (3 MILITARY & 3 CIVILIAN)...

IN ADDITION...5 OTHERS CONTINUED THE IN-HOUSE TRAINING.....OF THE ORIGINAL GROUP OF 6 TRAINED AT SRI, 2 REMAINED WITH THE PROJECT.....OF THE 5 SELECTED FOR IN-HOUSE TRAINING...1 REMAINS

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The reasons for leaving varied; military career requirements, civilian job progression, press of work on current job made it tough to be available for part timers,...and since it is a voluntary program....some just opted out for no given reason.

WE HAVE CURRENTLY 2 NEW PERSONNEL ON BOARD WHO ARE JUST BEGINNING THE IN-HOUSE PORTION OF THE TRAINING... THEY WILL BE GOING TO SRI IN THE SPRING FOR ADDITIONAL TRAINING.

In all training...we first provide initial orientation training in-house...to familiarize the personnel with the protocols that are being used...and secondly...if they decide to opt out out of the program we won't have spent TDY funds and contract dollars unnecessarily

WHEN THE PROJECT WAS TRANSFERRED TO INSCOM CONTROL IN ^{JAN} ~~MARCH~~ 1981, INSCOM PUT A CEILING OF...9... FULL TIME PARTICIPANTS, AND AS MANY PART TIME PARTICIPANTS AS AVAILABLE.

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THE TRAINING BY SRI AND IN-HOUSE WAS FORCAST TO COVER
AN 18-24 MONTH PERIOD

This was the best estimate....training psychics
had never been tried before

HOWEVER IN SEPTEMBER 1979, THE FIRST OPERATIONAL
TASKING WAS RECEIVED....AND BY DECEMBER 1979 TRAINING
PER SE WAS TERMINATED

GRAPHICS
TO DATE WE HAVE UNDERTAKEN 71 PROJECTS...THESE 2 GRAPHICS
SUMMARIZE THE RESULTS AND IDENTIFY THE REQUESTORS.

**GT'S
BOOK**
ADDITIONALLY.....WE HAVE COLLECTED IN THIS BOOK EXAMPLES
OF TARGETSINTELLIGENCE COLLECTED....AND THE
REQUESTORS ANALYSTS COMMENTS AND EVALUATION OF THAT
INFORMATION....

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